

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MATT BRAINARD**, on February 4, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 420 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Brainard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Toni Hagener, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Allan Walters, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Tom Dell (D)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Jeff Mangan (D)
Rep. Douglas Mood (R)
Rep. Brennan Ryan (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Bill Tash (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (R)
Rep. Doug Wagner (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch
Karen Mills, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s): HB 383, 349, 350, 2/4/1999. Dates Posted:
1/28/98, 1/22/99, 1/22/99,
Executive Action: HB 61, 188, 117

HEARING ON HB 383

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. TOM FACEY

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Proponents' Testimony:

J.A. TURNAGE, Chief Justice of the Mt. Supreme Court

EXHIBIT(sth28a01)**EXHIBIT**(sth28a02)**EXHIBIT**(sth28a03)

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JEFF SHERLOCK, District Court Judge, Helena,

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.3 - 10.5}

Opponents' Testimony:

MIKE O'CONNOR, PERS **EXHIBIT**(sth28a04)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.4 - 19.3}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 19.6 - 23.3}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. TOM FACEY

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.4 - 24.6}

HEARING ON HB 349

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. BILL THOMAS

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.4 - 27}

Proponents' Testimony:

KATHIE BAILEY, Fergus County Comm.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27.3 - 29}

JANE JELINSKI, Mt. Assoc of Counties

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.2 - 29.5}

Informational Testimony:

RUSS KATHERMAN D of A, A&E Div.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.9 - 30.8}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 30.8 - 32.1}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. BILL THOMAS

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 32.2 - 32.4}

HEARING ON HB 350

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. MATT BRAINARD

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.2 - 4.5}

Proponents' Testimony:

MIKE FELLOWS, Libertarian Party **EXHIBIT**(sth28a05)

Opponents' Testimony:

DON JUDGE, AFL/CIO

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 4.6 - 6.9}

CRAIG SWEET, Legal Director of Mt. PERG

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 14.6 - 18.3}

FRAN MARCEAU, UTU

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.4 - 19.1}

JOHN HEFFERNAN, Mt. President of Common Cause **EXHIBIT**(sth28a06)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 19.2 - 22.4}

LEE ARBUCKLE, Mt. League of Women Voters **EXHIBIT**(sth28a07)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 22.4 - 25.4}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 29.9 - 31}

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Closing by Sponsor: REP. MATT BRAINARD

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13.5 - 16.6}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 61

Motion: REP HAGENER moved HB 61 DO PASS

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 17.5 - 17.6}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 19.6 - 22.2}

Motion: REP. ADAMS moved TO TABLE HB 61.

Motion/Vote: Motion passed unanimously TO TABLE HB 61.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 188

Motion: REP. LINDEEN moved HB 188 DO PASS

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.2 - 23.3}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.3 - 23.9}

Informational Testimony: SHERI HEFFELFINGER, Legislative Staffer
EXHIBIT(sth28a08)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.9 - 26}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26.1 - 26.5}

Motion: REP HAGENER moved TO ADOPT the Amendments to HB 188.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26.5 - 26.6}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26.6 - 27}

Motion/Vote: REP. MANGAN moved a DO PASS as amended on HB 188.
Passed unanimously 17-0.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27 - 27.8}

Motion: REP. LINDEEN moved HB 188 DO PASS as amended in Exhibit 8.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27.8 - 29}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29 - 29.5}

Motion: REP. LINDEEN moved to withdraw her motion because of unavailability of fiscal note.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.6 - 32}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 117

Motion: REP. TASH moved a DO PASS on HB 117

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.6 - 0.7}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.7 - 0.9}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : .9 - 3.4}

Substitute Motion: REP WAGNER moved HB 117 be tabled

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.4 - 3.9}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.9 - 12.8 }

Vote: The motion carried 10-7 that HB 117 BE TABLED; REPS. DELL, TASH, MANGAN, RYAN, GOLIE, LINDEEN AND HAGENER voting no.

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:15 A.M.

REP. MATT BRAINARD, Chairman

KAREN MILLS, Secretary

MB/KM

EXHIBIT (sth28aad)